



Light Shine

A Christian alternative to Halloween
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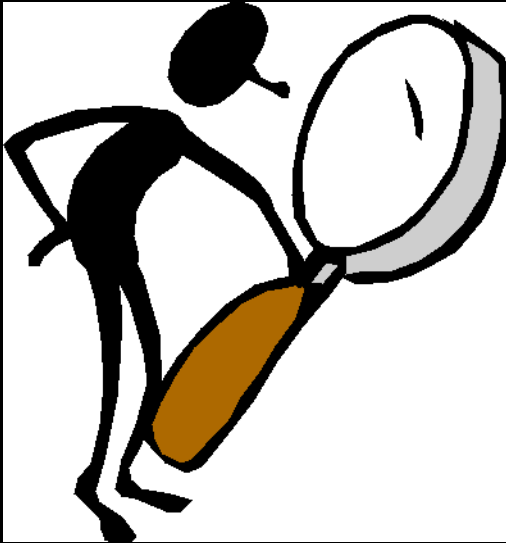
'All Hallows Eve' became
shortened to Halloween.

- ***Light Shine*** provides a Christian alternative to Halloween.
- ***Light Shine*** is an opportunity to reach out into the wider community and is a mission opportunity.
- ***Light Shine*** emphasises that together we can celebrate God's goodness.

How Light Shine began in 1997.....

- *Light Shine* arose from seeing a need to have a Christian input into a secular celebration.
- The first *Light Shine* was a disco at our church to attract kids away from trick-and-treating.
- We dressed up in bright clothing, heard the Christian message, danced, played games, had a lolly bag and heaps of fun!
- We can be relevant – contemporary – scriptural during this celebration.
- "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15

How does a *Light Shine* work?



- Children arrive and decorate a large paper bag.
- Engage in "hands on" activities such as art, craft, drama, dance, music, cooking and lots more.
- A shortened worship time with songs of praise, story, a short children's message, prayers and final song.
- Concluding with a simple meal of pizza, fruit and water.
- Children take home a lolly bag and their paper bag filled with all the things they have made.

Light Shine Bible References....

- John 1: 1 – 14
- Genesis 1:3 And God said “Let there be light!”
- John 8:12 Jesus said “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.”
- Psalm 119:105 “Your Word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path.”

Great Activities



Worship Time



A Shared tea and Lolly Bags



History of *Light Shines*....

1997: "Starlight Disco" (Cottesloe)

2009: "Children's Celebration" (Scarborough)

2010: "Let There Be Light!" (Karrinyup)

2011: Cosmic Party (Karrinyup)

2012: "Cosmic Party" (East Victoria Park)

2012: "Shine" (Subiaco)

2013: "Shine" (Subiaco)

2013: "Cosmic Party" (Bull Creek)

2013: "Walk in the Light" (Karrinyup)

2014: Light Shines in Bull Creek, Kingsley and Merredin.

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etc

